# **NEW JERSEY**

# **CANCER BURDEN**



- 1,284,900 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 41,100 in New Jersey.
- 555,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 17,800 in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons<sup>2</sup>

New Jersey: 216.5 National: 206.0

New Jersey ranks 17th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

### **LUNG CANCER**

## In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates<sup>1</sup>

- 4,900 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in New Jersey.
- 4,500 men and women will die of lung cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1995–1999<sup>3</sup>

	New Jersey	National
Overall	55.8	57.7
White	55.8	57.5
Black	66.6	67.8
Hispanic	16.7	23.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	18.3	29.0
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	36.2

#### **BREAST CANCER**

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates<sup>1</sup>

- 6,900 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in New Jersey.
- 1,400 women will die of breast cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 women, by race, 1995–1999<sup>3</sup>

	New Jersey	National
Overall	32.2	28.8
White	32.2	28.2
Black	37.6	37.1
Hispanic	13.9	17.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	9.3	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Native	e -	15.0

# **COLORECTAL CANCER**

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates<sup>1</sup>

- 4,900 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in New Jersey.
- 1,900 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1995–1999<sup>3</sup>

	New Jersey	National
Overall	24.7	21.7
White	24.6	21.3
Black	29.9	29.0
Hispanic	10.1	12.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	8.4	13.3
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	13.5

#### **PROSTATE CANCER**

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates<sup>1</sup>

- 5,700 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in New Jersey.
- 900 men will die of prostate cancer in New Jersey.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 men, by race, 1995–1999<sup>3</sup>

	New Jersey	National
Overall	34.2	33.9
White	31.8	31.2
Black	68.9	72.8
Hispanic	16.8	21.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	10.7	14.3
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	17.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2002. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2002. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1995–1999. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.